Sanction of Telephones in excess of stipulatd quota

418. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of out of turn Telephone connections allotted against the requests made by Ministers and Members of both houses of Parliament outside the stipulated quota during the last two years and the detailed breakup of these allotments with the names of those who made the recommendations;

(b) whether there is any proposal to permit carry over of the unutilised quota of MP's to the next year;

(c) the number of telephone connections which are not yet installed out of the MP's priority quota recommendations; and

(d) the steps being taken for avoiding the inordinate delay in installing telephones on priority quota recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(d) Instructions exist that telephone connection sanctioned against MPs quota are installed within 30 days subject to feasibility, from the date of receipt of the sanction.

All the Heads of Circles/Districts have been made personally accountable for delayed installation. Periodical review of the non-feasible cases is also undertaken.

Waiting list of telephones in Bangalore and Hubli

419. SHRI J. P. JAVALI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Bangaloe and Hubli have long waitnig lists for telephones, pending for a long-time;

(b) whether there is also a long list for Fax Machines;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) what action is proposed to be taken to clear the waiting lists?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No Sir, only licences are issued & Machines are purchased by the parties.

(c) Waiting list pending as on 31-10-1993:

	OYT	N-OYT	Total
Hubli	71	4315	5486
Bangalore	3110	98513	107123

(d) As per 8th plan objective the waiting period for telephone connection is to be reduced to two years in large telephone systems, and telephone practically on demand in rural and tribal areas by the end of 8th Plan (1992-97) and exchanges are planned accordingly to meet this objective. In Bangalore about 28000 lines switching capacity in targeted for 93-94 and about 90000 lines planned for 94-95. In Hubli about 3600 lines switching capacity is targeted for 93-94.

Malfunctioning of telephone exchange in Haryana

420. SHRI S. S. SURJEWALA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received information/complaints regarding the malfunctioning of Telephone